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Sent: 5/6/2015 12:37:17 PM

To: 'Cohen, Jacqueline' [jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]; Schmit, Ryan [Ryan.Schmit@mail.house.gov]

Subject: HEC TSCA TA followup request on risk evaluation hurdle

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In response to your followup May 1 question, EPA suggests that "or that a chemical substance is listed" should be changed to "or a chemical substance is listed." With this edit, the modified language still addresses the issue raised in the hearing on the potential risk evaluation hurdle.

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Sent: Friday, May 01, 2015 4:34 PM

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Sent: 5/5/2015 8:38:05 PM

To: 'Cohen, Jacqueline' [jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]

Subject: HEC TSCA TA Request on Scientific Standards

Jacqueline,

This responds to your technical assistance request on scientific standards in the draft House bill. In EPA's view, The scientific standards language does not conflict with EPA's existing guidance, with the possible exception of the "sponsoring organizations" language of (h)(3): "the degree of clarity and completeness with which the data, assumptions, methods, quality assurance, **sponsoring organizations**, and analyses employed to generate the information are documented." The identity of the sponsoring organization is not something that EPA's current guidance identifies as a quality issue.

In terms of EPA's ability to implement such a provision, if by sponsoring organization the drafters of this language mean the organization that conducted and published or provided the study, that information would generally be available. If it's meant to mean the organization which *funded* the research (e.g., provided a grant to a university), which may be different than the organization which conducted and published it, EPA might find it difficult or impossible to obtain that information in many cases.

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Sent: Friday, April 17, 2015 2:47 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik
Subject: formal TA request

Sven,

We would like written TA on the discussion draft of the TSCA Modernization Act. One particular question that has come up is whether the scientific standards on pages 18-19 comports with EPA's existing guidance on scientific quality.

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Sent: 5/4/2015 5:31:23 PM

To: 'Cohen, Jacqueline' [jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]

Subject: RE: HEC TSCA TA Request on exposed subpopulations

Jacqueline – thanks for clarifying. I'll make sure to remind folks of the outstanding requests. Please let me know if any additional questions. Best,

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From: Cohen, Jacqueline [mailto:jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]

Sent: Monday, May 04, 2015 1:30 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Subject: RE: HEC TSCA TA Request on exposed subpopulations

We are still waiting for the request we sent on Friday on the hurdle to risk evaluations.

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, May 04, 2015 1:29 PM

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Sent: 5/1/2015 4:16:13 PM

To: Jacqueline Cohen [jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]

Subject: HEC TSCA TA on Risk Management and cost consideration **Attachments**: Risk Management and Cost -- v2.docx; ATT00001.htm

Jacqueline,

We are working on the TA request on threshold considerations and will have something for you shortly. This responds to your earlier technical assistance request on TSCA risk management and cost considerations.

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§ 6(a) (edits are to text of TSCA as already amended by the discussion draft)

(a) SCOPE OF REGULATION. If the Administrator determines under subsection (b) that the manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, use, or disposal of a chemical substance or mixture, or that any combination of such activities, presents or will present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, the Administrator shall by rule apply one or more of the following requirements to such substance or mixture to the extent necessary to protect adequately against such risk reduce or eliminate the identified risk so that any remaining risk of injury to health or the environment is not unreasonable within the meaning of (b)(4):

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- (3) CONDUCTING RISK EVALUATION.—The Administrator shall conduct and publish the results of a risk evaluation under this subsection for a chemical substance if—
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- (C) describe the weight of the scientific evidence for identified hazard and exposure;
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Commented [A1]: To make clear that 6(b)(4) relates not only to the initial finding of unreasonable risk, but also to the analysis of how much risk reduction action is therefore "necessary."

These edits would not prevent EPA from considering cost when selecting among multiple options that are individually sufficient to achieve the necessary risk reduction.

Commented [A2]: Subsection (a) doesn't actually clarify what an unreasonable risk is. Subsection (a) points to (b)(4) to clarify what an unreasonable risk is.

Similarly, this paragraph should point to (b)(4) to clarify what an unreasonable risk is.

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Note: This TA does not address the further question of whether there are certain considerations (e.g., impact on critical uses) that might trump the general objective of ensuring that chemical risks are not unreasonable. The bill could be further amended to address this issue, but this TA does not attempt to do so.

Commented [A5]: To avoid misunderstanding, this proviso should be broken out from (b)(4)(A) and made into a direct prohibition.

The problem with the prior drafting, in which the proviso is a dependent clause of (b)(4)(A), is that people may argue that (b)(4)(A) isn't really excluding cost from the analysis, but is merely excluding cost from the list of things that EPA <u>must</u> consider in the analysis.

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To: Cohen, Jacqueline [jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]

Subject: Re: TA question on threshold

On it

On May 1, 2015, at 10:18 AM, "Cohen, Jacqueline" < jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov> wrote:

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I hate to rush you, but the sooner we can get some feedback on this, the more likely we are to be able to use it.

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Sent: 4/30/2015 11:43:49 PM

To: Cohen, Jacqueline [jackie.cohen@mail.house.gov]
CC: Schmit, Ryan [Ryan.Schmit@mail.house.gov]

Subject: Re: priority TA request

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Sent: 4/30/2015 6:23:04 PM

To: 'Black, Jonathan (Tom Udall)' [Jonathan_Black@tomudall.senate.gov]

Subject: Sen. Udall Letter

Jonathan,

I and others here got the generous letters from Sen. Udall on TSCA reform. That was a nice gesture. Best, Sven

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Sent: 4/28/2015 1:40:06 PM

To: Enderle, Emily (Whitehouse) [Emily_Enderle@whitehouse.senate.gov]

Subject: Re: EPA's Position on TSCA Compromise

Emily, We do not have a position on the bill or amendments. Still in technical assistance mode. Thanks, Sven

On Apr 28, 2015, at 8:01 AM, "Enderle, Emily (Whitehouse)" <Emily_Enderle@whitehouse.senate.gov> wrote:

Hi Sven,

Thanks for being so responsive to my TA requests last week. Now that the compromise text is publicly available, does EPA have a formal or informal position on it that I can share with mt boss? Specific feedback (e.g. the decoupling of cost and other nonrisk factors from unreasonable risk helps clarify the intent) and/or general thoughts (e.g. it's more protective than current law, an improvement over the introduced version, it gives the agency more clarity, it would help protect health and the environment) would be appreciated.

Emily

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Sent: 4/28/2015 1:34:08 AM

To: Black, Jonathan (Tom Udall) [Jonathan_Black@tomudall.senate.gov]

Subject: Re: Safer Chemicals Healthy Families response

Thanks

On Apr 27, 2015, at 9:31 PM, "Black, Jonathan (Tom Udall)" <Jonathan_Black@tomudall.senate.gov> wrote:

Doesn't say support. Doesn't say oppose. They do say \cdots

Remaining issues that they oppose in the bill:

High priority preemption

· We haven't changed "substantial evidence"

SNURs

<SCHF Letter on S. 697 Mark-up.pdf>

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

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Sent: 9/15/2016 6:40:13 PM

To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]
CC: Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey) [Alec_Bogdanoff@markey.senate.gov]

Subject: Re: first bill

Timing? Midweek to late?

On Sep 15, 2016, at 2:37 PM, Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) < Michal Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov > wrote:

Sven

This is a document that is sort of a combined MASK Act as drafted as an amendment to title II of TSCA (it excludes the portions of MASK that are not TSCA amdts) with additional redlined text that adds in PCBs to some of the obligations in Title II. We tried to use your earlier TA to avoid giving EPA direction in Title II that it already provides for PCBs in Title I, but there may well be inconsistencies or redundancies that we have not already identified. We'd welcome any and all input.

Thanks

michal

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Sent: 9/15/2016 12:55:41 PM

To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]
CC: Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey) [Alec_Bogdanoff@markey.senate.gov]

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey PCB questions (set 2) corrected

Michal – I'm checking on the PCB definitional questions.

Also, R10 says they have reports for the summary chart. We need time to review and get them in the form of the other submissions. What's your deadline on the report? Thanks, Sven

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From: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [mailto:Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 5:26 PM **To:** Kaiser, Sven-Erik < Kaiser. Sven-Erik@epa.gov>

Cc: Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey) < Alec_Bogdanoff@markey.senate.gov>

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey PCB questions (set 2) corrected

Another option could be what is below - if this works better, can you send me what "XXX" needs to be?

(5) POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYL-CONTAINING MATERIAL. – The term "PCB-containing material" means liquid-PCB-filled electrical equipment (as defined in XXX), manufactured building materials containing non-liquid PCBs at concentrations of greater than 50 parts per million, or any material that has been contaminated by a spill or release of PCBs in concentrations greater than 50 parts per million.

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From: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey)

Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 5:07 PM

To: 'Kaiser, Sven-Erik'

Cc: Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey)

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey PCB questions (set 2) corrected

Sven:

(5) POLYCHLORINATED BIPHENYL-CONTAINING MATERIAL. – The term "PCB-containing material" means a fluorescent light ballast that contains a liquid-PCB-filled capacitor, manufactured building materials containing non-liquid PCBs at concentrations of greater than 50 parts per million, or any material that has been contaminated by a spill or release of PCBs in concentrations greater than 50 parts per million.

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Sent: Friday, September 09, 2016 3:09 PM

To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) **Cc:** Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey)

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey PCB questions (set 2) corrected

Michal – please use this corrected version instead. Thanks, Sven

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From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Sent: Friday, September 09, 2016 2:33 PM

To: 'Freedhoff, Michal (Markey)' < <u>Michal Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov</u>> **Cc:** Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey) < <u>Alec Bogdanoff@markey.senate.gov</u>>

Subject: Sen. Markey PCB questions (set 2)

Michal,

Attached are responses to questions 2, 8, and 12. The remaining questions (4, 9, and 10) are being worked on. Please let me know if any additional questions. Thanks, Sven

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From: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [mailto:Michal Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2016 5:59 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik < Kaiser. Sven-Erik@epa.gov >

Cc: Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey) < Alec Bogdanoff@markey.senate.gov>

Subject: PCB questions

Sven

Here are a bunch of questions for your team — thanks. It would be great to get your sense of how long these will take to respond to. It is fine with me if you respond to them as you get each one answered - no need to wait til they are all done if you think some will take longer than others. I've attached our MASK Act, which I know you've looked at before, for your reference.

Thanks michal

- 1. Do contractors that are remediating PCB-containing building materials like those that might be found in schools require special accreditation the way asbestos-workers do? if not, should they, or is the removal of such materials less complicated to do? what about inspectors? Title II of TSCA goes on at some length about the types of courses and certifications that are required by asbestos contractors and inspectors is something like this needed (or is it already in the 6e rules) for PCBS?
- 2. Title II of TSCA defines ASBESTOS-CONTAINING MATERIAL.—The term "asbestos- containing material" means any material which contains more than 1 percent asbestos by weight. I know you are in the midst of redrafting your PCB rules. Would a definition of PCB-CONTAINING MATERIAL which I drew from your 1998 PCB regulation make sense, or are there different/more items I should be considering?

"The term polychlorinated biphenyl-containing material means 1) a fluorescent light ballast that contains more than 50 parts per million in the insulating material which fills the space between the functioning parts of the ballast and its outer metal covering, 2) a nonliquid material containing polychlorinated biphenyls at concentrations of more than 50 parts per million but less than 500 parts per million [QUESTION – WOULD THIS CAPTURE CAULK AND PAINT, AND WHY THE 500 PPM MAX?] AND 3) DO I NEED TO WORRY ABOUT PCB-CONTAINING ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT IN SCHOOLS OR OTHER THINGS BESIDES WHAT IS LISTED IN THIS DRAFT DEFINITION?.

3. Title II of TSCA contains the following definition: (12) RESPONSE ACTION.—The term "response action" means methods that protect human health and the environment from asbestos-containing material material. Such methods include methods described in chapters 3 and 5 of the Environmental Protection Agency's "Guidance for Controlling Asbestos-Containing Materials in Buildings." Are these the analogous PCB documents listed below? If so, can you pls send the right URLs (all the links are broken), and if not, can you pls send the right materials?

EPA and Federal Partners

- <u>Fact Sheets for Schools and Teachers about PCB-Contaminated Caulk</u> from EPA provides information about PCBs in caulk used in some buildings, including schools, in the 1950s through the 1970s and offers suggestions on what to say to children about PCBs to encourage proper precautions. The website includes:
- Fact Sheet for Schools: PCBs in Caulk School Checklist (PDF) (1pp, 106KB)
- <u>PCB-Containing Fluorescent Light Ballasts in School Buildings: A Guide for School Administrators and Maintenance Personnel</u> from EPA provides information on the risks posed by PCBs in light ballasts, how to properly handle and dispose of these items and how to properly retrofit school lighting fixtures to remove potential PCB hazards.

- PCBs in Caulk in Older Buildings on the EPA website offers background information, steps to minimize
 exposure, testing methods and a schools information kit.
 - 4. Title II of TSCA refers to "least burdensome" in several places. Would it be better to delete these references?
 - 5. Title II of TSCA tells EPA to prescribe transportation and disposal regulations for asbestos-containing waste. I am assuming that your 6(e) regs (and any revisions thereto) would cover this for PCBs, right?
 - 6. Title II of TSCA requires warning labels to be placed in maintenance areas when inspections discover asbestos-containing materials. It is not clear to me that a similar label should be required for PCB-containing materials in schools given the different nature of these materials. Does EPA have a technical view?
 - 7. Title II of TSCA says you can only update the asbestos removal guidance through rulemaking. Is it typical to require guidance updates to be done by rule, and if not, would it make sense to delete that requirement in this case?
 - 8. Title II of TSCA describes an inspection standard and methodology that must be met for asbestos: Either a scanning electron microscope or a transmission electron microscope shall be used to determine the ambient interior concentration. In the absence of reliable measurements, the ambient exterior concentration shall be deemed to be—
 - (A) less than 0.003 fibers per cubic centimeter if a scanning electron microscope is used, and
 - (B) less than 0.005 fibers per cubic centimeter if a transmission electron microscope is used.

Does EPA still believe that this is the right methodology and standard? If not, what is? Is there an analogous standard and methodology for PCBs and if so what is it?

9. As I gather from other TA, the Asbestos Trust Fund won't really exist anymore soon: "The asbestos loan program is a direct loan program managed under the Credit Reform Act of 1990 (CRA). The issuance of new asbestos loans under the program officially ended in 1993. Subsequently, all remaining loan activity since 1993 has occurred for managing loan repayment/collection activities in accordance with the CRA and Debt Collection Act requirements. The Credit Reform Act of 1990 precludes Agencies from repurposing funds for other needs. All asbestos loan related funds under the loan program are managed in accordance with the CRA, which specifically identifies how to manage collections received. Because FY 2016 serves as the final subsidy closing re-estimate year for the asbestos direct loan program, all of the remaining balances related to the Act requirements (including the \$32,189.20 amount) are expected to be zeroed out prior to September 30, 2016 in close-out transactions at the end FY 2016. Although the funds may look available, they are not. The funds are tied to the Asbestos loan program, which is managed under the Credit Reform Act of 1990. The CRA identifies the process for final closing re-estimates. The final Asbestos loan closing re-estimate is in process and will sweep all of the account balances to Treasury prior to September 30, 2016."

But the statutory text does not talk about loans. It talks about grants. I'm confused about your TA as well as what we might need to do legislatively to reverse the outcome you've described above, or specify that the program is managed under the credit reform act of 1990. Can you please help me understand the statutory basis for your TA above as well as what a statutory remedy might be?

For purposes of this sub-section, a "violation" means a failure to comply with respect to a single school building. The court shall order that any civil penalty collected under this subsection be used by the local educational agency for purposes of complying with this title. Any portion of a civil penalty remaining unspent after compliance by a local edu-cational agency is completed shall be deposited into the Asbestos Trust Fund established by section 5 of the Asbestos Hazard Emer-gency Response Act of 1986.

- 10. The MASK Act authorizes \$10 mill/year for enforcement of asbestos requirements. If the bill was drafted to expand to PCBs as well, would EPA need more resources, and if so, how much?
- 11. Does the asbestos ombudsman still exist at EPA, and does the role work as envisioned? Should it be expanded to include PCBS?
- 12. Title II of TSCA required EPA to do a one-time study of where asbestos is in public bldgs.. The MASK Act requires these to be redone every 10 years. Would there be a benefit to a similar PCB study?

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Sent: 9/13/2016 4:48:32 PM

To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey Inquiry on PCB Funding - correction

Michal – correction on the PCB numbers. Apologies, Sven

Federal and State Inspection data FY2010-2015

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	TSCA STAG Compliance Monitoring Cooperative Agreements/Grants-PCB Program ¹							
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funding ¹					\$923,000	\$914,000		
# of state	365	344	323	324	339	346		
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1. The funds labeled PCB are for PCBs only. TSCA STAG covers PCB, Lead-based paint, asbestos AHERA; however, nine states receive PCB STAG funds to conduct PCB inspections using federal credentials on behalf of EPA.

EPA PCB Inspections						
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
# of EPA	136	150	89	68	64	60
inspections						

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Sent: 9/13/2016 3:15:02 PM

To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Subject: Sen. Markey Inquiry on PCB Funding

Michal,

Please see the chart below and let me know if any followup questions. Thanks, Sven

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Sen. Markey Inquiry on PCB STAG grants

- Could we get inspection data and STAG data for the past 5 years?
- What's the plan for FY16?

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What's the Plan for FY16?

OECA's Compliance Monitoring Cooperative Agreements/Grants for TSCA allocates funds for asbestos, lead-based paint and PCB programs. As specified in the OECA FY 2016 National Program Managers Guidance (NPMG), 90% of those funds should focus on lead activities; however, up to 20% of the funds can be shifted to other TSCA activities identified in the NPMG. The Guidance directs EPA's PCB efforts to focus on nationally

significant issues that pose the greatest risk to human health in each region and maintain some field presence at EPA-approved commercial PCB storage and disposal facilities. The NPMG also calls upon the nine states covered by the cooperative agreements to implement work agreed upon with their respective region and specified in their cooperative agreement.

EPA regions opting to engage in compliance monitoring and assurance activities under the PCB program are to focus inspections, case development and enforcement on the following potential areas of significant risk: PCB treatment and storage facilities, non-TSD locations (e.g., natural gas pipelines, used oil facilities, potential PCB-containing abandoned structures), tips and complaints, and oil recyclers, etc. OECA is continuing to evaluate enforcement options for PCBs in building materials used in schools. EPA's Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) in Building Materials webpage provides the Agency's updated guidance for school administrators and building owners, including information about managing PCBs in building materials to help minimize possible exposures to building occupants.

From: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [mailto:Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, July 06, 2016 3:11 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik < Kaiser. Sven-Erik@epa.gov> **Subject:** RE: Sen. Markey Inquiry on PCB STAG grants

Ok, sorry, more followups

Could we get inspection data and STAG data for the past 5 years?

- What's the plan for FY16?

Thanks michal

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Sent: 9/9/2016 8:17:13 PM

To: Bogdanoff, Alec (Markey) [Alec_Bogdanoff@markey.senate.gov]

CC: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey Inquiry on Schools with PCB issues

Alec,

This responds to the followup request on the chart of schools with PCB issues. We are still working on the last question regarding more details on the Region 10 submission. Please let me know if any additional questions. Thanks,

Sven

- Why was the Kennedy Center listed for Region 3?
 Response: The Kennedy Center was listed mistakenly.
- Why is Sky Valley Education Center in Monroe, WA listed under Region 5 and not Region 10? Response: Region 10 asked Region 5 to provide inspection resources through Region 5's TSCA program, and legal support through Region 5s Office of Regional Counsel.
- For Region 7, the list of two universities have the exact same description down to "two building." I just want to confirm that the descriptions should be the same.

Response: Yes, the descriptions should be the same. Both had a similar situation.

• In Region 8 where none were reported is that because they did not provide a list or have they not dealt with any schools regarding PCBs?

Response: Region 8 has not dealt with any schools regarding PCBs.

• Are there any details available for Region 10? They provide numbers of schools and universities with PCB issues, but no specific list like the other regions.

Response: pending

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Sent: Tuesday, August 30, 2016 2:33 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik < Kaiser. Sven-Erik@epa.gov>

Cc: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) < Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov>

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey Inquiry on Schools with PCB issues

Good afternoon Sven,

I have a few questions regarding the list of schools you sent us; see below. We also have some outstanding unanswered questions from Michal on PCBs, and would like to know when we can expect a response?

Thanks,

Alec

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Sent: 1/27/2015 8:44:14 PM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [Adam_Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]
CC: Sharma, Arohi (Booker) [Arohi_Sharma@booker.senate.gov]

Subject: Re: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

That would be great.

On Jan 27, 2015, at 3:34 PM, "Zipkin, Adam (Booker)" < Adam Zipkin@booker.senate.gov > wrote:

Hello Sven -- Adrian Deveny from Senator Merkley's office is handling TSCA issues for his boss and also has some questions. Would it be ok if he joined us for our meeting tomorrow?

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 26, 2015 1:23 PM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker)
Cc: Sharma, Arohi (Booker)

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam,

Yes - that works, will resend scheduler. Best,

Sven

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From: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [mailto:Adam_Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 26, 2015 12:54 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik **Cc:** Sharma, Arohi (Booker)

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Got it. Could we do Wednesday 1/28 at 1:30?

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser,Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 26, 2015 11:29 AM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) **Cc:** Sharma, Arohi (Booker)

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam – The dates and times were for Weds and Thurs. Tuesday didn't work at all unfortunately. Thanks,

Sven

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From: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [mailto:Adam Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 24, 2015 7:39 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik **Cc:** Sharma, Arohi (Booker)

Subject: Re: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Sven just so I am clear - are those times you are proposing below for Tuesday (27th) and Weds (28th) - or for Weds (28th) and Thurs (29th)?

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2015 02:52 PM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) **Cc**: Sharma, Arohi (Booker)

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam – is it possible to move it earlier or to the next day?

Jan 28 btwn 1:00pm - 3:00p Jan 29 btwn 10:00a - 12:00p

Thanks, Sven

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From: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [mailto:Adam Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 9:53 AM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik **Cc:** Sharma, Arohi (Booker)

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Tuesday at 3 would work. Who will be attending the meeting?

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser, Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 9:42 AM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker)

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam, next Tues is actually Jan 27. Thanks,

Sven

Sven-Erik Kaiser U.S. EPA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW (1305A) Washington, DC 20460 202-566-2753 From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 9:40 AM

To: 'Zipkin, Adam (Booker)'

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam,

I hate to do this, we have a schedule problem and I need to move the briefing to next week. What about Tues,

Jan 28 at 3pm. Apologies,

Sven

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From: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [mailto:Adam Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2015 8:30 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Thursday at 11 would be great – thanks Sven.

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2015 5:33 PM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker)

Subject: FW: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam, do you have any time tomorrow afternoon – How about 2pm on Weds, Jan 21. We have 1-4 open. If that doesn't work, how about Thurs, Jan 22 at 11? Thanks,

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From: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [mailto:Adam Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 2:35 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning are currently open.

From: Kaiser, Sven-Erik [mailto:Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 1:35 PM

To: Zipkin, Adam (Booker)

Subject: Sen. Booker Briefing Request on TSCA

Adam,

Thanks for the briefing request. I'll check folks schedules and let you know some availabilities. Best days and times for you next week? Best, Sven

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From: Zipkin, Adam (Booker) [mailto:Adam_Zipkin@booker.senate.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 1:26 PM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Subject: RE: Sen. Booker contact on TSCA

Sven as discussed, we would like to discuss TSCA reform with appropriate EPA staff — could we please try to set up a briefing for next week? Thanks. Adam

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Sent: 6/9/2015 3:08:46 PM

To: 'Freedhoff, Michal (Markey)' [Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]; Joseph, Avenel (Markey)

[Avenel_Joseph@markey.senate.gov]

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey TSCA TA Request on Preemption Waiver

Michal – 4pm today works. Please call Personal Phone / Ex. 6 Code Personal Phone / Ex. 6 Thanks,

Sven

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From: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey) [mailto:Michal_Freedhoff@markey.senate.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 10:34 AM

To: Kaiser, Sven-Erik; Joseph, Avenel (Markey)

Subject: RE: Sen. Markey TSCA TA Request on Preemption Waiver

Yes, I do. I have btw 1-2 or after 4.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 10:32 AM

To: Freedhoff, Michal (Markey); Joseph, Avenel (Markey)

Subject: Sen. Markey TSCA TA Request on Preemption Waiver

Michal – we're having issues sorting through the language. Do you have time today for a call with OGC?

Please let me know availabilities. Thanks,

Sven

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Subject: Sen. Booker Staff Briefing on TSCA Reform

Location: 141 Hart

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Sent: 6/9/2015 2:29:05 PM

To: 'Black, Jonathan (Tom Udall)' [Jonathan_Black@tomudall.senate.gov]

Subject: Sen. Udall TSCA Reform TA on Asbestos

Jonathan,

Our TA on asbestos depends on the use of the definition – are you just setting it into the bill or tying some requirements to it. Can you give me a quick call when you're taking a break from the discussions today? Thanks,

Sven

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From: Jones, Jim

Sent: Monday, June 08, 2015 5:30 PM

To: Berol, David; Grant, Brian; Mclean, Kevin; Wallace, Ryan

Cc: Cleland-Hamnett, Wendy; Kaiser, Sven-Erik

Subject: FW: Update...

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Sent: Monday, June 08, 2015 5:27 PM

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Subject: RE: Update...

With the latest version we are working on...

From: Black, Jonathan (Tom Udall) Sent: Monday, June 08, 2015 4:46 PM

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Subject: Update...

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I don't anticipate we'll need EPA on the line for the entire thing, but may email you with some questions or interested in chatting with someone.

Just a head's up,

---Jonathan

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Sent: Monday, January 26, 2015 12:54 PM

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